THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Thursday, 24th March 1955.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at half-past eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Advances under Well-subsidy Scheme, Malabar.

* 1707 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP (on behalf of Dr. K. B. Menon) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have issued instructions to recover immediately amounts advanced under the Well-subsidy Scheme in Malabar;

(*b*) whether representations have been received for permission to pay in instalments; and

(*c*) if so, what action the Government propose to take in the matter?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

Inspector-General of Registration.

* 1708 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the reasons why an Assistant Secretary to Government was appointed as the Inspector-General of Registration on March 18, 1954, without consulting the Public Service Commission?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The appointment to the post of Inspector-General of Registration was made in accordance with the rules which provide for recruitment to the post by transfer from Assistant Secretaries to Government. The Commission's advice was not sought because consistently with the practice in the past and the Government's own intentions, consultation with the Commission was not necessary."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Are the Government aware that there is a special provision in Article 320 of the Constitution that if transfer from one department to another is to take place or if there is to be a change in service conditions, the Commission should be consulted? May I know whether the Government have received any note or criticism from the Public Service Commission in regard to the appointment under reference and what reply the